

REMARKS

The Office action has been carefully considered. The Office action objected to the drawings, requesting a proposed drawing correction. Applicants submit that the drawings are correct, however the text of the written specification incorrectly identified certain components, namely the computer 110 (at page 14, line 16, incorrectly identified as the computer 20) and the output peripheral interface 195 (at page 15, line 7, incorrectly identified as the output peripheral interface 190). Applicants have overcome these minor errors via amendments to the specification; applicants submit that no new matter has been added by these amendments, as these items in the drawings as originally filed were correctly labeled.

The Office action also indicated that claims 11 and 26 would be allowable if amended to incorporate the subject matter of the base claim and any intervening claims. For purposes of expediting allowance, and not in view of the prior art, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 11 (along with the subject matter of intervening claims 9 and 10). Claims 9-11 were canceled as duplicative, and not in view of the prior art; claims 12 and 13 were amended to be dependent on claim 1, as claims 9-11 were canceled. Thus claim 1 and its remaining dependent claims (claims 2-8 and 12-17) are allowable as indicated in the Office action.

Similarly, claim 18 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 26 (along with the subject matter of intervening claim 22). Claims 22 and 26 were canceled as duplicative, and not in view of the prior art; claims 23 and 25 were amended to be dependent on claim 18, as claim 22 was canceled. Thus claim 18 and its remaining dependent claims (claims 19-21 and 23-25) are allowable as indicated in the Office action.

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Claims 27-33 were canceled for purposes of expediting allowance, and not in view of the prior art.

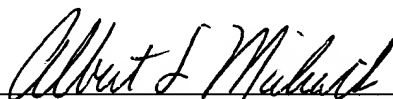
In sum, the drawing objections have been overcome, and each of the remaining claims is allowable as indicated in the Office action. A timely allowance is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-8, 12-21 and 23-25 are patentable over the prior art of record, and that the application is otherwise in good and proper form for allowance. A favorable action on the part of the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (425) 836-3030.

Respectfully submitted,

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